

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application is requested.

Claims 1-8 remain in the application. Claims 1 and 5 have been amended. A marked-up version of the claims is attached hereto on separate pages.

In item 1 on page 2 of the above-identified Office Action, the Examiner objected to the drawings as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(5).

More specifically, the Examiner states that the drawings show element $6F^2$, which is not mentioned in the description.

The superscript "2" in element $6F^2$ was erroneously represented by an underline ("_") in the original application. The specification of the instant application has now been amended to replace the "_" with a superscript "2" and to refer to, and fully explain, element $6F^2$. The changes to the specification have been provided solely for cosmetic and clarification purposes.

In item 2 on page 2 of the above-identified Office Action, the Examiner objected to the drawings as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.83(a).

More specifically, the Examiner states that the diode as recited in claims 1 and 5 must be shown or the features canceled from the claims.

Claims 1 and 5 and the specification of the instant application have been amended to remove all references to the diode.

In item 4 on page 2 of the above-identified Office Action, claims 1-8 have been rejected as being indefinite under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph.

More specifically, the Examiner states that "it is not understood what element 6F² in Figs. 1 Prior Art and 3A, all elements in Figs. 3B and 4 and the diode, as recited in claims 1 and 5, really are since they are not respectively described in the specification and are shown in the drawings of the present invention."

Claims 1 and 5 and the specification of the instant application have been amended to remove all references to the diode. Additionally, a new paragraph has been added to the specification of the instant application to clarify Figs. 3A and 3B and the elements shown within. Also, the last

paragraph on page 10 has been amended to clarify that the elements in Figs. 3B and 4 correspond with elements designated by the same reference numbers.

It is accordingly believed that the specification and the claims meet the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph. The above-noted changes to the claims are provided solely for the purpose of satisfying the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112. The changes are neither provided for overcoming the prior art nor do they narrow the scope of the claim for any reason related to the statutory requirements for a patent.

In view of the foregoing, reconsideration and allowance of claims 1-8 is solicited.

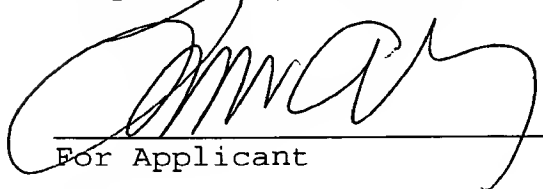
In the event the Examiner should still find any of the claims to be unpatentable, counsel would appreciate receiving a telephone call so that, if possible, patentable language can be worked out.

If an extension of time is required for this paper, Petition is herewith made.

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Please charge any other fees that might be due with respect
to Sections 1.16 and 1.17 to the Deposit Account of Lerner
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